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MAYOR PEREZ TO ATTEND HISTORIC PROMOTION FOR HARTFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEN: Friday, September 2, 2005 at 11 a.m.

WHERE: One Fisher Road, Fire Department Training Academy

Hartford (in back of HPD)

Mayor Eddie Perez, who made history becoming Hartford's first Latino Mayor, will be on hand for another first in the Capital City. Lieutenant Eddie Casares will be promoted to Deputy Fire Marshal, with the rank of Captain. He is the first Hispanic to be promoted to this position since the founding of the Hartford Fire Department in 1789.

Mayor Perez says, "This important promotion is a reflection of both dedication and diversity. Lt. Casares has demonstrated leadership and bravery to the citizens of Hartford--- a City rich with people from a variety of cultures. This ceremony is a celebration of all the great things Hartford stands for, like hope and opportunity."

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